SUSPECTED ABUSE AND NEGLECT

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PURPOSE

To ensure that all instances of suspected child and adult abuse and neglect or exploitation are reported to Michigan Department of Health Human Services (MDHHS) Centralized Intake and the facility director or designee.

DEFINITIONS

See <u>APR 200 Mandated Reported-Child</u> and <u>APR 201 Mandated</u> Reporter-Adult for definitions.

RESPONSIBLE STAFF

All state run and private, contracted juvenile justice residential treatment facility staff.

PROCEDURE

Each state run and private, contracted juvenile justice residential treatment facility is required to develop and implement standard operating procedures for reporting child and adult abuse and neglect or exploitation. At a minimum, these procedures must contain the following:

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR SUSPECTED ABUSE/NEGLECT/EX PLOITATION

As a mandated reporter, facility staff are required to report suspected child abuse and neglect. Refer to APR 200, Mandated Reporter-Child for reporting requirements and procedures.

Reporting requirements for suspected abuse/neglect involving facility staff

 See <u>JRM 530</u>, <u>Incident Reports</u> for reporting requirements for suspected abuse/neglect involving facility staff.

Investigation procedures for suspected abuse/neglect occurring within a facility and/or involving facility staff:

See <u>JRM 173, Investigation Protocol</u> for information for investigation procedures.

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Reporting requirements for suspected abuse/neglect occurring outside a facility and no involvement of facility staff:

Staff makes an immediate oral report to the facility director or designee of suspected or alleged abuse or neglect.

The facility director or designee ensures the mandated reporter completes reporting according to <u>APR 200, Mandated Reporter-Child</u> or <u>APR 201, Mandated Reporter-Adult.</u>

Documentation of any report should be retained.

LEGAL BASE State

The Child Protection Law, MCL 722.621 et seq.

Provides requirements for mandated reporters.

POLICY CONTACT

Facility supervisors or managers may submit policy clarification questions to: Juvenile-Justice-Policy@michigan.gov.